

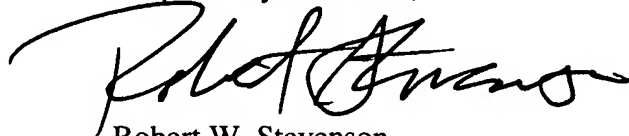
**Remarks**

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional), by the foregoing amendments, the drawings have been canceled. The specification has also been amended to reflect the cancellation of drawings and reference the parent application. No new matter has been added to the present application by the foregoing amendments.

Applicants and their attorney hereby respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments in the present application.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment since it is being mailed prior to Applicants' receipt of a first Office Action on the merits. If, however, any such fees, including petition and extension fees, are due in connection with the submission of this Preliminary Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them, as well to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-1850.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Stevenson", written in a cursive style.

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